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INFORMATION SESSION SCHEDULED REGARDING THE FORMER ERIE ARMY DEPOT ORDNANCE REMOVAL PROJECT

PORT CLINTON, OH – The public is invited to attend an information session being held by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers regarding the Former Erie Army Depot Ordnance Removal Project. The meeting topics will include findings from the surface clearance completed in the spring of this year and details of the upcoming clearance scheduled to begin December 8. The upcoming removal action is being performed under a contract that has the potential for four removal actions within a two-year period. This project will reduce the risk of unexploded ordnance to the public and the environment. The informational meeting will be conducted on December 2, at the Carroll Township Town Hall at 11080 West Toussaint East Road in Oak Harbor, Ohio from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

In 2007, the Corps signed an Action Approval Memorandum outlining surface removal for the beach area at the Former Erie Army Depot. This overall effort is being fully coordinated with officials from the Corps, Ohio EPA, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Ohio National Guard.

Unexploded Ordnance experts will use hand held ordnance detection devices to search the area. Should metal be indicated, the area will be excavated by hand to the extent necessary to fully identify and remove-destroy any partially exposed munitions and explosives. If discovered, the unexploded ordnance will be destroyed in place or in designated areas by detonation.

Residents are reminded to remember the three Rs of unexploded ordnance safety - recognize, retreat and report. In the unlikely event that they see any type of old suspected military related metal objects, they should never touch or attempt to move the item but should note its location, safely leave the area and notify local law enforcement or call 911.

More information about this clean-up project, including the schedule and project updates, may be located at www.lrb.usace.army.mil/derpfuds/ead or by contacting the Army Corps of Engineers at (800) 833-6390.